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SUBJECT: TWO POLLS SHOW ALIGNMENT-LIKUD GAP NARROWING

REFS: (A) TEL AVIV 3139 (B) TEL AVIV 3271

1. HANNOCH SMITH'S PLAST POLL BEFORE ELECTION DAY,
TAKEN MAY 2-9 AND PUBLISHED IN TODAY'S MAARIV,
SHOWS A FIVE PERCENTAGE POINT SPREAD BETWEEN THE
ALIGNMENT AND THE LIKUD--DOWN FROM A 10.5 SPREAD
IN HIS APRIL POLL. ALL SECTORS OF THE COUNTRY
WERE INCLUDED IN SMITH'S POLLS. THE UNDECIDED
VOTE DROPPED FROM 17 PERCENT TO 12 PERCENT WHILE
THE REFUSE-TO-ANSWER PRECENTAGE WENT FROM SEVEN
TO EIGHT.

2.

	MAY	APRIL
ALIGNMENT	30.0	32.5

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LIKUD	25.0	22.0
DMC	11.0	10.0
ALL (3) RELIGIOUS PARTIES	6.0	6.5
RAKAH	3.0	3.0
MINORITIES	1.5	1.0
SHELLI	1.5	1.0-
OTHERS	2.0	1.0

NO PREFERENCE	12.0	16.0
REFUSED TO ANSWER	8.0	7.0

2. SMITH CLAIMS THAT THE DECLINE OF FOUR PERCENTAGE POINTS IN THE UNDECIDED-REFUSE SEGMENT WAS MAINLY AMONG ORIENTAL JEWS AND BENEFITED PRIMARILY THE LIKUD. THE SMALLER PARTIES ALSO GAINED SLIGHTLY BUT HE STILL IS UNSURE THAT THE ILP, CITIZENS RIGHTS OR SHLOMZION PARTIES WILL EACH BE ABLE TO EXCEED THE THRESHOLD AND WIN A SEAT. IN A CONVERSATION THIS MORNING SMITH TOLD US THAT HE BELIEVES THE TREND REFLECTED IN HIS POLL SHOWING GAINS FOR THE LIKUD AND THE DMC HAVE CONTINUED SINCE THE POLLING WAS COMPLETED. NONETHELESS, HE THINKS THAT THE ALIGNMENT, AS OF TODAY, REMAINS IN FRONT.

4. YEDIOT'S LAST POLL, ALSO APPEARING TODAY, GIVES THE ALIGNMENT A LESS THAN ONE PERCENTAGE POINT LEAD OVER THE LIKUD. UNLIKE SMITH'S POLL IT SHOWS A SIGNIFICANT DROP FOR THE DMC. TAKEN MAY 8-10, YEDIOT'S POLL (WHICH DOES NOT INCLUDE ARABS OR RURAL SETTLEMENTS) SHOWED 16.5 PERCENT UNDECIDED AN 7.7 PERCENT REFUSING TO ANSWER.

5.	LATEST	EARLY MAY
	PERCENT SEATS	PERCENT SEATS
ALIGNMENT	32.1	39 PLUS 32.2 39

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LIKUD	31.3	38PLUS	29.5	36MINUS
DMC	10.1	12	12.5	15
NRP	8	10	7.6	9
2 AGUDAH PARTIES	3.6	4PLUS	4	5
SHLOMZION	1.2	1PLUS	1.3	2MINUS
SHELLI	2.5	3	2.1	2PLUS
ILP	1	1	1.6	2
CITIZNES RIGHTS	1.1	1	1	1
RAKAH & MINORITIES				
LIST (ASSUMED)	7.0	8	7	8
OTHERS	2.1	-	1.2	-

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